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In the Application of :
HERBOTS, Ivan Maurice et al. :
Serial No. 09/462,613 : Group Art Unit 1751
Filed 10 January 2000 : Examiner E. Elhilo
For CLEANING COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING AN OXIDOREDUCTASE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 13 September 2001, please amend the above-captioned case as follows and consider the following remarks.

The Applicants wish to inform the Examiner that the Applicants have experienced continuous difficulties in transmitting the present communication to the Examiner via facsimile. The Applicants, in a telephone conversation on December 13, 2001, informed Examiner Elhilo of the situation and were provided with an alternate number to which to fax the present communication. Nevertheless, the Applicants were unable to fax the present document to said number. On December 14, 2001, the Applicants contacted Primary Examiner Gupta via telephone and were provided with yet another number to which to fax the present communication. Examiner Gupta instructed the Applicants to contact Examiner Elhilo before transmitting the instant communication to said number. Yet the Applicants were unsuccessful in contacting Examiner Elhilo after such time.

As the Applicants, by no fault of their own, were unable to fax the instant communication to the Office on the final day of the shortened statutory period, no extension fees are believed to be due. The Examiner is invited to call the Applicants' undersigned agent to discuss this matter.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims

32. (Amended) A cleaning composition according to claim 1 wherein the organic acid is comprised at a level of from 0.5% to 40% by weight of total composition.